

STATE OF ALABAMA

DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND MENTAL RETARDATION

RSA UNION BUILDING 100 N. UNION STREET

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JOHN M. HOUSTON

Mr. Jim Griggs, Director **Lands Division** Department of Conservation and Natural Resources 64 North Union Street Montgomery, Alabama 36130-1454

RE: Sale of Property

Dear Mr. Griggs:

I write to inform you that the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation is selling the Thomasville Mental Health Rehabilitation Center, which consists of 94.5 acres land and numerous buildings. Your office had an appraisal done on this property on January 8, 2004. The appraised value was for \$1,700,000.00.

This property will be split into three parcels. The State Board of Education will receive approximately 3.19 acres, Pardons and Paroles will receive part of the property and possibly DYS will receive the other parcel of the property if funding exists.

Pardons and Paroles is paying the Department \$1,500,000.00 for the sections that are being deeded to Education and Pardons and Paroles. Pardons and Paroles will operate a substance abuse training center for parolees and Education will train the parolees for jobs in the communities.

The Department of Mental Health will forward a signed copy of the deed once the closing has taken place and the filing is completed. If you have any further questions regarding this matter, please do hesitate to contact me at 353-9487.

Sincerely,

Advisory Attorney

Administration / Lands Division